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Federal Communications Commission
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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b)
Table of Assignments
FM Broadcast Stations
Nikiski, Alaska

MM Docket No.
96-50
RM 8768

To: Chief, Policy and Rules Division

REPLY COMMENTS

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I, William J. Glynn, JR., hereby respectfully submit reply comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released by the Commission on March 21, 1996, in MM Docket 96-50, RM 8768. I am the proponent of the proposed allotment of FM channel 227C2 to Nikiski, AK, and have requested the amendment of the FM Table of Allotments in Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's rules to include Nikiski, AK as follows:

City	Channel Number	
	Present	Proposed
Nikiski, Alaska	---	227C2

Chester P. Coleman ("Coleman"), by his attorney, offered a counter-proposal submitted as part of his comments filed May 13, 1996. Coleman requests the allocation of channel 283A or 284A to Nikiski, AK, not 227A. Coleman states "a significant site restriction" for ch227A and that 283A or 284B(?) can be used without any site restriction. Coleman further states that Peninsula Communications, Inc. operates translators on 283A and 284A as a secondary service and that these translators are in violation of the Commission's rules and it is reasonable to expect the translators to "discontinue operations".

I believe my original proposal of 227C2 will best serve the market for the following reasons: The "C2" designation requested will allow a station built on that channel to serve a larger regional area than a channel designated "A". The site restriction on 227C2 imposed by the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is in reality, given local conditions, no more limiting of transmitter location than 73.315(b)(c)(e) of the

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Commission's rules. Additionally, Coleman's assertion that Peninsula Communications, Inc.'s translators, operating on channels 283 and 285, not 283 and 284 as Coleman states, are in violation of 74.1232(d) ignores the long standing "Alaskan exception" as well as waivers obtained from the Commission by Peninsula Communications, Inc. to operate said translators. Further, Peninsula Communications, Inc. has operated the translators for years and has stated to me their intent to apply for a construction permit if a channel on or near one of their translator channels is allotted to Nikiski, Ak as this will enable them to upgrade their translator to 25KW, improving their coverage. However, this would not add any new signals to the market. Finally, channel 283 could not be designated "C2" due to minimum distance separation requirements of 73.207(a)(b). Channel 281C1 is allotted to Anchorage, AK.

If the allotment of the proposed channel 227C2 is made to Nikiski, AK, I will apply for a license to build and operate an FM station on that channel.

Wherefore, the foregoing premises considered, I, William J. Glynn, Jr., hereby respectfully renew my petition to the Commission to amend Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's rules to include the allotment of channel 227C2 to Nikiski, AK

Respectfully submitted,

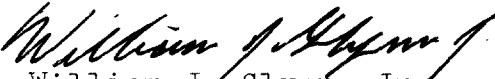

William J. Glynn, Jr.

Dated May 24, 1996

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, William J. Glynn, Jr., do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing comments of myself has been sent this 24th day of May, 1996, by first class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid to:

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